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LB 141

Coordinating Commission for postsecondary education. That is simply where that kind of supervisory personnel belongs and that is where we should put it and that is what LB 141 is going to do so I urge you to vote for Senator Koch's motion.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Koch, would you like to close, please?

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I handed to you a moment ago I think a handout that pretty well described the commission. It's makeup is twelve members, lay people by and large, two from each congressional districts and one from the Regents of the University of Nebraska, a trustee of the state colleges, the Governor of the Technical Community College, a trustee of an independent institution, an owner of a private vocational college or school and a member of the State Board of Education which is a pretty good representation of the State of Nebraska as it affects postsecondary schools. If you read that handout you will see that the commission has been performing what I believe are some valuable duties for all of us. I happen to believe that we should give this commission an opportunity to function. If within a few years we find the commission is not functioning properly, nor is it really carrying out its responsibilities, then I would suggest that they be a part of the sunset law, we review them, we find them inadequate, incapable, then the commission should fade away in that sunset but until we give them some power I don't believe we can very well judge their capabilities. Frankly, I am willing to give them that power to see what they can do and I would hope this morning that you would give life again to LB 141 and I so recommend. Thank you.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, while we are at it I guess we might as well go under a Call of the House and do this right away correctly.

SENATOR NICHOL: We are voting to go under Call. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 0 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: We are under Call.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING